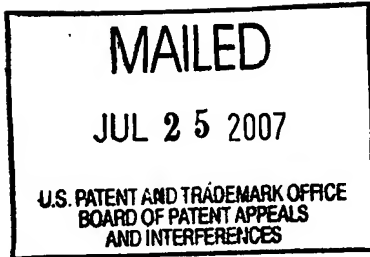


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte ZHENAN BAO

Application 10/727,709

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 5, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed February 7, 2006. It is not apparent from the record that the examiner considered the statement submitted or notified applicants of why their submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being returned to the Examiner for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 7, 2006, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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